



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Hongyu ZHANG et al.

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For: ISOLATED HUMAN TRANSPORTER  
PROTEINS, NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES  
ENCODING HUMAN TRANSPORTER  
PROTEINS, AND USES THEREOF

**Response to 1<sup>st</sup> Office Action**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action issued by Michael Pak on November 17, 2003, Applicants request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks. A three-Month Extension of Time is filed herewith.